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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: CONSULTING AND DESIGN OF
UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

REF: A)JIDDA 1928; B)JIDDA 1952

1. CAGNE CONTACTED FOLLOWING COMPANIES RE. SUBJECT
OPPORTUNITY: LEO A. DALY; CRS DESIGN ASSOCIATES;
HENNINGSON, DURHAM AND RICHARDSON; USBAHN - COILE;
SKIDMORE, OWINGS, AND MERRILL(SOM); HUGH STUBBINS
AND ASSOCIATES, INC. ALL ARE INTERESTED AND WILL CABLE
THE GREAT ESTATE EST. BY MARCH 23 AND FOLLOW UP WITH
LITERATURE SENT BY MAIL. COMPANIES HAVE AGREED TO
COPY EMBASSY.

2. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH COMPANIES, SEVERAL QUESTIONS
WERE RAISED REGARDING STATUS OF PROPOSED ISLAMIC
UNIVERSITY. IS IT GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION.
IF GOVERNMENT, WHAT IS ITS RELATIONSHIP TO UNIVERSITY
OF RIYADH OR TO INSTITUTE OF ISLAMIC STUDIES TO BE
BUILD IN MECCA. REQUEST EMBASSY COMMENTS AND ANY
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FURTHER INFORMATION WHICH CAN BE DEVELOPED ON PROJECT.

3. IN ADDITION TO BONA FIDES ON THE GREAT ESTATE EST.,
WOULD APPRECIATE INFO ON RELATIONSHIP OF FIRM TO THOSE
WHO ARE BUILDING ISLAMIC UNIVERSITY.

4. JUST RECEIVED REF B AND UNALBE TO REACH PRINCIPALS
IN COMPANIES LISTED PARA. 2. WILL REPORT RESULT OF
CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM SEPTEL. KISSINGER

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